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Note and Comment.

It cannot be said that the Calgary newspapers have taken the decision of the capital question with as good grace as did the city's champions in the legislature.

"This is the final act," says the Albertan, "in a long list of political manipulations which have not been creditable to any of those concerned in them. The deplorable part in the proceedings which culminated in Calgary being robbed of its just rights is not the fact that we lost, but that the methods used to defeat us were base and unworthy."

The Herald says the city was beaten with loaded dice. It is easy to understand the latter paper's reference in view of its political affiliations. But how the Albertan can continue to support the party against the leaders of which it makes these charges is difficult to understand. Does it believe that Mr. Marcellus and Mr. Simpson, both of whom are prominent Liberals of its immediate district, were parties to "base and unworthy" methods? If so, it surely will not be found championing their cause at the next election. Sir Wilfred Laurier and Hon. Frank Oliver also contributed to the selection of Edmonton as the capital of the province. But the chances are that the Albertan will continue to sound their praises as of yore. It merely makes itself ridiculous by using the language that we have quoted. Edmonton won out in a fair and square fight. No one who knows Mr. Finlay, Mr. Marcellus or Mr. Simpson will for a moment credit the charge that they were susceptible to improper influences, and with these three southern members supporting Edmonton, it made no difference what the provisional arrangements made at Ottawa, to which the Calgary papers took objection, were.

The debate in the House of Commons which followed the resolution of Mr. McIntyre of South Perth, calling for Senate reform, will serve a useful purpose in keeping the question before the country. Sir Wilfred Laurier gave little encouragement that his administration would make any move in that direction. If there were to be any change, he said, he would favor the election of senators by the provincial legislatures. This would undoubtedly be an improvement, but the half-hearted way in which the premier put forth the proposition must have proven very disappointing to the few who still pin their faith to the Liberal platform of 1893.

Mr. Frank Walker's announcement to the House on Wednesday that arrangements are being completed for the establishment of an elk park in the Beaver hills to the northeast of Edmonton has aroused much interest. There are about one hundred elk, almost the last in that part of the west, now in that locality and the Dominion Government has offered to build a fence to cost \$12,000 around the

tract of timber where they now are. Mr. Walker accordingly introduced an amendment to the game laws prohibiting the shooting of game in the preserve, which includes sixteen sections in Township 54, Range 20, and Township 54, Range 19. The fence will be sixteen miles long and ten feet high. Those responsible for the move are to be warmly congratulated. The new park should add much to the attractiveness of the province. Another amendment to the game laws, for which Fletcher Bredin, member for Athabasca, is responsible, makes the game laws, except in respect to elk, buffalo and beaver inapplicable north of the 55th latitude. The people in that country are dependent on hunting for their livelihood and it was rightly considered that nothing should be placed in the way of their indulging in their hereditary privilege.

The legislature has refused to allow the clause in the Edmonton charter amendments allowing secret meetings to stand. Ex-Ald. Boyle took strong ground against it and the other members agreed that a dangerous precedent would be established. But the motives of those who sought the granting of this privilege to the council are easy to understand. It quite frequently happens that matters have to be discussed, which it is inadvisable to consider in open meeting, information being divulged by so doing which it is to the detriment of the city to have made public property. It is said that the representatives of the press and others can be trusted, but this is not always the case. The only way to get out of the difficulty at present is to hold an informal conference behind closed doors and have the formal ratification of the decision there reached made later. This is not a very dignified or satisfactory proceeding and must give rise at times to serious complications. But the council must necessarily resort to it at times.

Congratulations are due the principal of Alberta College on the honor recently conferred upon him by the Senate of Victoria University, Toronto, by virtue of which he will henceforth be known as Rev. Dr. Riddell. He is accomplishing a great work in the west, a fact to which too wide recognition cannot be given. The new doctor of divinity graduated from Victoria, with high honors, no further back than 1890. It is seldom that so recent a graduate is granted so coveted a distinction.

The probability was pointed out in the Saturday News last week that a great deal more money would be voted for relief purposes in San Francisco than the authorities would know what to do with. This has proven the case and neither the contribution made by the Dominion nor that voted by Edmonton will be applied, notification having been sent that the generous offers cannot be accepted. In some quarters there has been a

disposition to criticise the American government for its action in thus refusing aid from outside the union. But one offer could not very well be accepted and another one refused, while if all were taken advantage of, it would be impossible to devote any more than a mere fraction of the funds to the purpose intended. There is every indication, however, that the brotherly spirit manifested by these grants has been fully appreciated.

It is again reported, for about the 151st time, that Hon. Charles Fitzpatrick is to go to the Supreme Court and that Hon. Mr. Aylesworth will become Minister of Justice. Sir Henri Taschereau has actually resigned the Chief Justiceship, so the rumor may have some foundation. Mr. Fitzpatrick is an able man but has never inspired a great degree of confidence. Mere cleverness is often a disadvantage in politics. In this case it has resulted in a general assumption that Mr. Fitzpatrick is one of Sir Wilfrid's "wicked partners."

The C. P. R. is losing no time in getting into Edmonton. Running rights have been obtained over the E. Y. & P. and work has already been commenced on a spur line along block 10 to Jasper Avenue. A freight shed at the corner of Tenth street and Jasper will be doing business in a few weeks. The passenger station will in course of time be also located at that point. The company has also acquired the property between 10th and 11th from Mackenzie avenue down and is asking permission to construct two tracks across that street and also to have Peace and Athabasca avenues closed where these cross the railway property. The proposition has been left to a committee to decide upon. It is one which should not be rashly accepted. It will be found with the growth of the city that all existing avenues of communication in the central sections will be needed and it would be a very great mistake to enter into an agreement by which these streets may be closed for all time. They are not necessary just at present, but the time is not far off when they will be. Edmonton should profit from the experience which Calgary is now having with this corporation.

The sudden switching of the council around in favor of the Lorimer automatic telephone system is a strange move. At first everyone was enthusiastic over the Strowger, which civic delegates saw in operation in American cities and which has certainly been placed on a better commercial basis than that which it is now proposed to adopt. The expert employed by the council, Mr. Kelsch, however, reported against the adoption of an automatic system at the present stage of its development. Mr. Keely, the city engineer, agrees with Mr. Kelsch.

What was the use of asking their opinions if they were to be shown no consideration? This constant changing of plans does not begot confidence. The wisest course, in

view of the medley of conflicting views, appears to The Saturday News to be that proposed by Commissioner Kinnaird, by which no large present expenditure is undertaken, while at the same time the system at present in existence can be made to give much better service. In this way, we shall suffer no great temporary inconvenience and at the same time hold ourselves open to take advantage of the changes which the next few years are certain to see in telephonic mechanism. Just at present, it is evident from the testimony given, the telephone business is going through a transition period.

The same day that the estimates, containing an item providing \$25,000 for preliminary work on a government telephone service, were brought down, Attorney-General Cross introduced a municipal telephone act, which gives complete powers to the municipalities to establish plants and connect with provincial lines. The government is evidently determined on a most progressive policy and the experiment, which it proposes to conduct, is one which will be watched with interest the continent over. It enters upon it with the people of the province practically unanimous as to the wisdom of the step.

The Week in Calgary

A Scandal in Connection with Choice of a Site for the Normal School.

Calgary, May 8rd.

A very nasty scandal has developed in connection with the proposed purchase of a site for the Normal School. On Saturday a meeting of the school board was called at which Hon. Mr. Cushing made a proposition to the members to secure block 18, section 16. His proposition on behalf of the government was a surprise, other localities having been deemed more likely to be selected. The meeting adjourned from four to seven in order that the trustees might have an opportunity to consider the matter. In the meanwhile certain parties bought all the lots they could secure in the vicinity of the proposed site. The ownership of several more changed hands immediately after the evening session was over and the Board had entered into an agreement with Mr. Cushing. How the information that was turned to so good account leaked out is what everybody is now asking. While it is doubtful if the action of the trustees who either gave it away or turned it to their own uses can be attacked on legal grounds, but they cannot complain if the public in the future declines to repose any confidence in them. There is no excuse, under any circumstances, for using information, obtained as a servant of the public, for private gain.

I. S. G. van Wart, the local Liberal "Boss," as the director of an election campaign naturally tends to be known as, is to retire from politics to become sheriff.

Mr. van Wart proved himself an exceptionally gifted manager in the contest which resulted in Hon. Mr. Cushing's election and no man deserves better of his party. He is receiving the warm congratulations of his friends on both sides of politics.

The flim-flam game for which Henry Callahan was arrested the other day was a decided novelty. His plan, according to the account in one of the local papers, was to buy an article worth only ten cents and tender a ten dollar bill in payment, meantime giving a whole lot of smooth talk to the clerk who waits upon him. The change given back in almost all cases consists of a five dollar bill, four ones and ninety cents in silver. Just at this time the "flim flammer" discovers that in his vest pocket is a new ten cent piece and plays it over, stating that he does not want to break his ten spot. He then hands back the change he has received from the clerk, but the five spot is minus. "It is a good game if it can be successfully carried out and nets the operator a splendid income," says the chronicler of the affair. But surely to successfully carry out requires a man of a much lower order of intelligence than is usually found behind a store counter. Provided the majority of merchants and their employees were a set of fools, it might succeed, but hardly otherwise.

The death of Allan J. C. Teale, at the Police station on Saturday morning, was attended by most distressing circumstances. He was a young Englishman, who had landed here less than two weeks before, with a new and stylish outfit. He imbibed very freely and soon ran out of funds. The people at the hotel thought he was acting very queerly and called in the police. Friday night he was removed to the cells pending examination as to his sanity. It soon became evident that he was out of his head. Next morning another prisoner found him dead. His relations who live in Scarborough, England, were immediately communicated with.

Much sympathy is extended to S. D. Brown, of the North Pacific Hotel Supply House, whose wife was a victim of the San Francisco disaster. She had both legs broken and her side crushed in the collapse of the house in which she was staying. Mr. Brown left immediately for San Francisco on the receipt of the news.

Rev. G. W. Kerby is expected home from the hospital in Toronto about May 10th.

A mail bag was stolen off the train for Calgary just as it was pulling out from Moosejaw the other night.

The proprietor of the St. Elmo Hotel, Mr. Semerad, is asking for an electric light at the corner of Fraser and Rice.

Frank Likely of St. John, N.B. is in the city visiting his brother Roy A. Likely.

Special evangelistic meetings will begin in a large tent located north of market square at 4 and 7:45 p. m. Sunday May 6th and will continue each night except Saturday at 6:45. Tent is heated and seats comfortable. No collections. Mr. J. J. Rouse and others will preach. All welcome.

THE MIRROR

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been fearfully put out as a consequence. Another point comes to mind, and touches on the carelessness of certain invited guests in failing to answer invitations to social functions. The taking a little trouble in both cases would remedy much inconvenience and positive worry.

Mrs. C. S. Pingle of Medicine Hat entertained very charmingly on Friday evening in honor of her guests, Miss Alice Pingle and Miss Robson, of Winnipeg. There were seven tables of cards, the prizes being won by Miss Cousins, Mr. Chas. Long, Miss Crosby, and Mr. Gordon. Miss Robson left on Saturday evening to visit friends in Lethbridge, Calgary and Edmonton.—Medicine Hat News.

P. Burns, of Calgary, has taken a lease of the late Judge O'Reilly's house on the gorge in Victoria, B.C. The house, which is one of the most charming in the capital, stands just above the Point Ellice bridge. Mr. Burns and his family will probably spend the summer months at this house.

A correspondent in Florence (Italy) writes:—Mr. Charles Biggar and his daughter, with Mrs. Casey, have gone to Rome for a short visit. Mrs. Shoenberger and her family have taken an apartment in Dresden, and intend to stay there until next summer.

A part of this week's social chronicles appears on another page.

Peggy

Miss Adela Verne.

Miss Verne, the great English pianist, who is without doubt regarded as the best exponent of the Classics in Britain to-day, is no stranger to Canada, for she



accompanied Madame Albani on her tour of this country in 1903. Her playing at that time was one of the best features of the Albani concerts, but since then she has matured wonderfully, and it is indeed fortunate for musical Canada that Madame Albani has been able to secure her services for her Farewell Tour of her native land.

K. R. Daviss, of Halifax, N.S., after spending three months in Edmonton for the benefit of his health left for home on Thursday very much improved.

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- \$1800 Small cottage East end, close in, newly finished, part can remain on mortgage.
- \$3500 Substantial house in West end, close to Jasper avenue, up-to-date in every way
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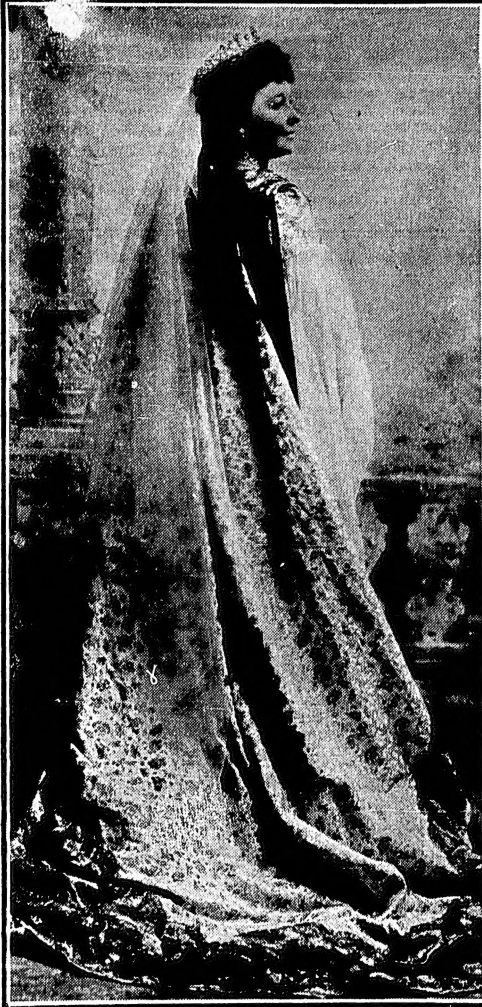
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The above cut represents Madame Albani in her favorite role of Isolde in Wagner's Tristan and Isolde. Madame Albani has become a greater success than ever in this farewell Canadian tour, and in nearly every place she has appeared her receipts have been record breakers. Never did Edmonton have the opportunity to participate in such an important entertainment event as the one on May 9th, next Wednesday, when the diva will appear, and it goes without saying that the rink will be crowded with a most enthusiastic audience, and that no where in Canada will Madame Albani receive a more hearty welcome than right here in Edmonton. Those who intend hearing the great prima donna should secure their seats at once.

The directors of the Western Canada Land Co. have been assured by Canadian Northern officials that steel will be laid this year to Spruce Grove, Morinville, Edison and Lac Ste Anne.

One thousand dollars was subscribed towards the new Y. M. C. A. building at the meeting of the board of directors last Saturday.

Plowright's banjo, mandolin and guitar school has been removed from Isabella St. E. to Fourth St. west, north of Peace.

Frank Couroy, treaty commissioner, left for the north on Monday to pay treaty money to the Indians. This is the eighth year that he has performed this task. He will be gone five months.

The Molson's Bank opened for business on Monday. G. W. Swaisland, late of Winnipeg, is manager and C. W. Ponsford accountant. The Traders' Bank opened Tuesday with T. S. F. Jackson, formerly of Brandon, in charge and W. S. Heffernan as accountant.

Two hundred from Edmonton attended the Oddfellows' church parade at the Fort on Sunday. Rev. H. A. Aldridge preached an excellent sermon at Langworthy's hall. The Edmonton band accompanied the visitors.

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In the Athletic World.

The first of a series of school cricket matches was played last Saturday, resulting in a win for Mackay Avenue School by a majority of 54 runs. Westward Ho were without Ewen Jellett and Charlie Cooper. The totals of the first innings were Westward Ho 23 and Public School 45; the detailed scores of the second innings appear in full below:—

MACKAY AVENUE SCHOOL.

Fred. McKenney, hit wkt., b. K. Kinnaird	47
Laurie Jellett, b. K. Kinnaird	5
A. Thompson, not out	5
Paul Greenwood, c. and b. Kinnaird	5
C. Hanford, c. and b. Young	5
W. Pace, b. Bishopric	3
E. Harrow, b. Bishopric	0
Kiddie Bragg, b. Manuel	0
Byes	14
Wides	7
No balls	1
Total	94

WESTWARD HO.

Frank Bishopric, b. Bragg	2
Kennie Kinnaird, b. do.	5
Stanley Young, b. do.	5
Bonnie Macdonald, not out ..	5
Jack Manuel, b. Bragg	2
Henry Emery, b. Bragg	15
Otis Bishopric (sub.), run out ..	5
F. Silas, c. and b. Greenwood ..	0
Wides	14
Total	62

A large crowd saw the baseball game on Saturday afternoon between teams representing the Earl Seagram and the Bankers, the former winning for the second time this season by a score of 7 to 2. Burley pitched excellent ball for the winners and Shanks was hardly up to expectations for the losers.

In the betting on the King's Plate the Seagram stable is still favorite at 7 to 5, with Dymont second call at 5 to 2. Wicklight, of the Kirkfield stable, is fancied by a large number, and is quoted at 10 to 1. There has also been quite a heavy play on A. H. Brenner's filly, French Hill. She has been moving in commanding style of late, and seems fast. Her odds are 40 to 1, 10 to 1 and 5 to 1. Capercallie, the colt which ran last year in Wm. Davies' colors, is also fancied by a number.

The King's Plate is an open race this year, none of the candidates standing out prominently as in the past few years. Spade Guinea, of the Seagram stable, is counted as a sure winner by many, and Courtmartial, Dymont's good colt, is also strongly fancied. It looks like a smashing fine race.

New York looks like a winner again in the National League race. She has jumped to the front with an almost unbroken succession of victories, and without calling on her mainstay, the great Matthewson.

A sensational incident took place at the Olympic games in Athens the other day. Tofales, Greek, won the weight-lifting contest, his mark being 144.40 kilograms. His most formidable competitor was an Austrian giant of the name of Steinbach, against whom the populace were angered by an unfounded allegation that he was a professional. When Steinbach appeared the audience hooted him down, and after vainly protesting against the disturbance Steinbach retired from the contest, leaving the Greek the victory. The Greek flag having been raised amid tremendous cheering, Steinbach calmly re-entered the arena and picked up the weight, which Tofales had raised with difficulty, and raised it with his head several times with the greatest ease. Then he left the stadium with a sarcastic bow to the wondering audience.

It seldom happens that spectators at a football match take sides against their own team, and, further, in spite of referee, captain and other officials, insist on managing the game in their own way. Both of these things, however, occurred at a match at Southend, Eng., between Southend Athletic and South Weald, in the South Essex League. When the referee lined the teams up the visitors were five men short, nearly half the men had left the early train to Southend. The spectators at once made their voices heard, and protested in none too polite a tone against a start being made, and openly accused their own team of being no sportsmen. The referee, who came for a great part of the time, addressed the crowd, and declared it was not his fault a start was to be made. At last the insistence of the large crowd had its effect on the Southend officials, and a commencement was postponed for ten minutes. At the end of this time the missing five men arrived, and helped the other six to win the match for South Weald by 3 goals to Southend's one.

The annual meeting of the Red Deer Cricket Club was held last week in Mr. T. E. Wilkins' office, and by the representative attendance a good and prosperous year is assured the club. The following officers were elected: Captain Cottingham, hon. president; T. E. Wilkins, president; Mr. Grover, vice-president; A. H. Barber, captain; A. Scott, vice-captain; A. Scott, T. E. Wilkins and W. Paterson, executive committee; secretary-treasurer, W. Paterson. The citizens of Red Deer have donated a handsome trophy to the local club to be called the "Central Alberta Challenge Cup," to be competed for by any duly authorized club in Alberta. The club will be pleased to make arrangements for matches at home and away.

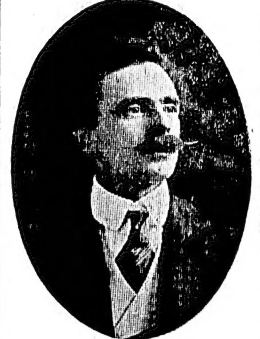
It is a long while since a Canadian Athlete has won a victory out of which his fellow-countrymen have reason to take satisfaction than that of William Sherring, of Hamilton, at the Olympic games in Greece. In competition against the world Sherring has won the Marathon road race, the great event of the meeting. He has long had a reputation as a runner throughout America, and the citizens of Hamilton got together and raised the money necessary to send him to Athens. Their confidence in his ability has now been more than justified.

The monthly medal contest at the golf links on Saturday resulted in a win for P. D. McFie in Class A with a score of 92 and C. W. Strathly in Class B with one of 100. A contest against bogey takes place on Saturday of next week. The game has many new devotees this year, and each afternoon there are a large number indulging in it. The decision to retain the capital at Edmonton may have a serious effect as far as golf is concerned if the parliament buildings are placed, as is proposed, in the centre of the grounds. At present the plans for new grounds are in a rather indefinite state. With the increasing popularity of the game, however, there should be no difficulty in eventually securing good accommodation.

The rifle club had a first-class practice on Saturday. Sixteen participated, J. Carmichael making the excellent total, at 200, 500 and 600 yards, of 94. L. S. Brown was second with 87.

Mr. Frank Watkis.

Frank Watkis, the Accompanist and Conductor, has made two journeys to Canada in the past with the great prima donna. He is the retained accompanist



of Adelina Patti, who by contract has the prior right to his professional services, whensoever the Baroness issues the command. Mr. Watkis has toured the globe with much of the celebrated talent of England, and has for many years travelled with the Canadian cantatrice in her tours of many continents. This will be a splendid opportunity for local accompanists to hear Mr. Watkis, as in his accompaniments to the voice he is said to have no superior in the world to-day.

A satisfactory agreement has been reached between the master builders and the carpenters and a strike thus averted.

Wilfrid Gariepy has severed his connection with the legal firm of Taylor, Boyle & Gariepy and henceforth will practice by himself.

About Town.

A prairie fire destroyed the stable on Dr. Hotson's farm near Strathcona on Saturday last.

Rev. Dr. Macquene has resigned the home mission convensership of the Presbytery of Edmonton. Rev. D. Flemming of Strathcona is discharging the duties of the post just at present.

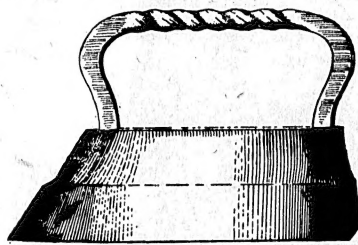
The new separate school to be erected on the site of the present building opposite All Saints' Church will be a handsome three-story structure and will cost \$45,000. Ald. Manson has the contract.

There are now sixteen automobiles in Edmonton. Dr. Whitelaw is the latest addition to the ranks of local motorists.

J. E. Carmichael of Strathcona is the winner of a scholarship in the first year's medical course at Queen's University.

The officers of "A" squadron of the Canadian Mounted Rifles, to be located in Edmonton, are: Major S. Paton; Capt. B. J. Saunders; Lieut. W. A. Griesbach; Lieut. N. H. Harbottle; Lieut. R. Hardisty; Lieut. G. W. Foster. Applications for enrolment may be made to any of these gentlemen. Privates will receive 50c. per day while in camp, with a bonus for proficiency of 20c. per day, first year, 40c. second year and 50c. third year. Members are required to provide their own horses, for which they will receive an additional allowance of \$1 per day while in camp. Saddlery, arms, uniforms, provisions for men and horses, will be provided.

Wilfrid Senior, a seventeen-year old boy, was thrown from a wagon near the Edmonton Hotel last week. The wheels passed over him. One arm was broken and his shoulder dislocated.



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Here and There

There is nothing so sweet as the consciousness that you exert an influence, even if it be in a very small way. In one of his first contributions to *The Saturday News*, the Lounger took occasion to point out that those who arranged the general delivery at the post-office made a mistake. At one wicket those from "A to M" enquired for letters and at the other those from "N to Z." The alphabet was divided into two equal parts. As a matter of fact, there are a great many more people the initial letter of whose names belongs to the first division than those enrolled under the second. Any city directory will show you this. The result was that there were usually twice as many people gathered in front of one wicket as in front of

the other. I suggested that the M's at least should be added to the last division when the new post-office was obtained. But the authorities were more wide-awake than I thought them, and to my surprise and delight, when I entered the office the other day, I noted that the M's had been transferred. After gazing for many weeks on the agonized faces of those who are not fortunate enough to possess boxes, as they wait for long hours for the wickets to open, I feel that I have not lived in vain if I have really been the means of making their lot an easier one. The eastern city papers have had much to tell us of the woes of the strap-hangers and in an endeavor to help them out the street car companies have year in and year out been threatened with all sorts of penalties. But if anyone wants to see the longest-suffering public in existence, he should visit the Edmonton postoffice on a Saturday night. It took me back last week to my football-playing days. I seldom had a harder line to buck than that which I had to get through to reach my box.

The Council last Friday night decided to give the Lorimer Automatic Company a chance to put in the new civic telephone system. It is a Canadian company, and while we don't want to load the city up with a poor system from patriotic considerations, yet there is a good deal of satisfaction to be taken out of the fact that the inventions which it is proposed to apply were the work of Canadian brains. There is quite a story in connection with the Lorimer system. It was brought to perfection by a young man of genius of that name. He applied himself most ardently to the work for several years. When success had just been attained, it was found that he was suffering from tubercular trouble, and just when everything was turning out as he hoped it would, he died. This was in the city of Brantford, Ontario, prominent business men of which backed young Lorimer and are still backing his inventions. Brantford's claim to being known as the Telephone City is thus further strengthened. Here it was that Professor Graham Bell first brought the telephone to perfection, a fact which he made clear at a banquet tendered him by the citizens only a few weeks ago. The house on the heights to the south of the city, where he worked out his device and from which he first spoke into Brantford over a telegraph line, is to be preserved as a memorial, the ground about it being turned into a park. It is a very remarkable fact that in this same city another invention should have been made which promises to revolutionize the great industry that has grown up as a result of Prof. Bell's activity.

Strathcona had a strange experience last week. A young man from Ontario had been engaged as mathematical master for the schools of the town. He arrived on Sunday night from the east. He visited the schools on Monday, conferred with Principal Jenkins about the work and arranged to begin his duties on Tuesday morning. It appeared, however, that he was displeased or disappointed in some way with the prospect and instead of going to school he paid his hotel bill and left by train for the south, leaving no message for anybody. All day Principal Jenkins and the

trustee board wondered what had become of their man. Enquiry at the hotel revealed all the facts known and the board is under the necessity of engaging a successor for him. It is lucky to have got rid of him so easily. Doubtless he is already added to the band of those who go back east and tell their friends and neighbors how disagreeable the west is. It is certainly no place for quitters.

The Calgary Herald indulges in what looks like an attempt at humor in its local column.

"Oliver Horsfall, a Herald linotype operator, 'it says' was up at Edmonton for some time and accumulated a whole lot of hayseed and ordinary bunch grass in his hair while there. This morning he was summoned in the police court for having more hay around his premises than the city by-laws call for. That's what comes from living in burghs where a person has nothing to remind them of the regulations which prevail in larger cities."

Mr. Horsfall is to be congratulated. It isn't every Calgary man who can take things away from Edmonton, as some of the people from the south who have been with us during the last week or so will recognize. He knew a good thing and those who prosecuted him were in all probability simply jealous of him.

A Kentucky man named Compton has been remarried to his wife from whom he was divorced in 1885. In the meantime he has divorced five other wives. The lady has also been married five times. What a lovely lot of experiences they will have to tell each other on the long winter evenings.

Love in Outline

"Twas in a breach-of-promise suit the letters all were read,
And here is what the opening words of her epistle said:

"Dear Mr. Smith," "Dear Friend," "Dear John," "My cherished Four-Leafed Clover."

"My ownest Jack," "Dear Friend," "Dear Sir," then "Sir"—and all was over.

It has very frequently happened that boyhood friends, after long separation, have met in Edmonton in recent months. Two of them ran across one another on Jasper Avenue the other day.

"Hello, Bill, old man!" said one. "Well, well! I haven't seen you since the old days, when we used to run around together."

"No, Jack. Ah, those old days! What a fool I used to be then!"

"I tell you, I'm glad to see you!" continued the first his enthusiasm unabated, "you haven't changed a bit, old man."

A Scotch minister instructed his clerk, who sat among the congregation during service, to give a low whistle if anything in his sermon appeared to be exaggerated. On hearing the minister say, "In those days there were snakes fifty feet long," the clerk gave a subdued whistle.

"I should have said thirty feet," added the minister.

"Another whistle from the clerk. 'On consulting Thompson's Concordance,' said the minister, in confusion, 'I see the length is twenty feet.'"

Still another whistle; whereon the preacher leaned over and said

in a stage whisper, "Ye can whistle as much as ye like, MacPherson, but I'll no take another foot off for anybody."

They were in the garden, and they took their smiles from nature.

"You are my dear, little, clinging vine," he murmured.

"Yes, and you're my darling, big tree," she gurgled.

"And what am I?" cried the rejected One, parting the bushes angrily.

"You?" they answered. "Oh, you are just a rubber plant."

Then there was silence in the garden.

THE LOUNGER.

Notes of the Month.

BY A LOCAL NATURALIST.

May at last, and Nature can now fairly claim a full emancipation from the fetters of King Winter, but if we would realise to the full the great changes that are taking place in this, the merry month of the year, let us leave the town behind and spend a short hour in the country.

Out in the country the trees are already hanging out their green banners of welcome to the spring and not a few flowers are to be found on the sunny sides of the banks, while down by the creek the golden petals of the Marsh Marigold shine resplendent amongst their all sombre surroundings of dead leaves.

The woods and fields are full of life and sound, the scamper of the rabbit in the brush, the chatter of the chipmunk or squirrel from the fence rail, and above all the tuneful melody of the birds "singing their love song to the morn," and though we may prefer the fluting of the Robin to the more humble efforts of the Crow croaking his praises from the spruce top, each is equally eloquent in its own way of this the sweetest season of the year.

The summer birds, with but few exceptions, are here, and quite a few are well ahead with their domestic arrangements. The snipe, for instance, after a short but clamorous courtship, have already deposited their four pear-shaped eggs in the first convenient hollow in the dead grass by the slough side. The Mallard and Teal have also followed suit, the former often nesting quite a distance from the vicinity of water.

Down by the river the Belted or American Kingfisher is darting to and fro from the creek mouths in the double pursuit of minnows and a convenient hole in the bank to build the nest of fish bones in which to lay their equally fragile eggs. It is next to an impossibility to obtain the nest and eggs of either the American or European species of this bird intact, and it was many years before even the British Museum could boast a complete specimen.

The Sandpiper flits along the surface of the stream, alighting every now and then to feed on the many aquatic insects the action of the water has left on the sandy shores and shallows of the bars. This is the smallest as well as the most widely distributed species of the wading birds—snipe, as they are called in Western Canada, and their plaintive whistle, accompanied by their jerking and bobbing of the body so characteristic of the family Scolopacidae, may be heard at any time of the day by those taking their walks in the neighborhood of the river. They make but scant attempt at nest building, depositing their eggs, usually four in number, in some slight hollow on the river bank, and though it is generally quite innocent of cover in the way of herbage and often placed on the bare sand of some high bar, still there is no bird I know of that resents intrusion more. They will forsake eggs and nest often on the very slightest provocation. The young, like all the waders, can run as soon as they leave the shell, and it is ludicrous indeed when coming upon a family of young sandpipers just hatched out, some of the mites still having a half egg-shell clinging to their back, to watch the wild scamper for concealment across some muddy bar. Every now and then one will topple over and lie struggling on its back in the mud, the little legs like while waving frantically heavenward.

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* Note and Comment

The Ottawa correspondent of the Toronto News contributes to his paper a far from flattering character sketch of Hon. Frank Oliver. He is, according to "H," pugnacious and obstinate, has the contempt of a narrow partizan for the members of the opposition, while his processes of reasoning are akin to those of the King in "Alice in Wonderland." But it should be noted that while the News' man sees much to find fault with in Mr. Oliver's purely personal qualities, he has not anything to offer in serious criticism of his course as a public man. Even if he did set up his opinion the other day on a legal point against that of a trained lawyer like Mr. Borden, there is no very great offence in that. One can easily understand, moreover, that a man who is known to be quick-tempered and to jump at conclusions, often makes a poor showing in an encounter with some of the acute minds on the opposition benches. But when the really important discussions affecting western policy have taken place, the Minister of the Interior has proven himself quite able to take care of himself. He has a grasp of the problems facing this part of the Dominion that is possessed by no other member of the present parliament and both on the floor of the House and in a purely administrative capacity has been a capable representative of western opinion. The country will get better service from him in the long run than from those who can lay better claim to that characteristic which occasionally goes by the name of cleverness, on the strength of which alone "H" seems contented to size up those in the public eye.

Mr. Langley, the member for Redberry in the Saskatchewan legislature, is authority for the statement that the C. P. R. has already inaugurated the policy that has been at various times ascribed to it, of advancing its lands along the line of the C. N. R. to such a figure as to greatly retard their settlement. The same course will doubtless be taken with lands near

the G. T. P. There is no doubt about the serious affect that such a step will have. But what is to be done about it? We can protest but our protests will have no effect. The management will not hesitate at anything that is within the law and in the interests of the C. P. R. stockholders. It will serve to make that corporation most unpopular, it is suggested. But it could hardly be more unpopular than it has been in the past. We can do nothing but submit quietly to the effects of the bad bargain made by the government of the Dominion nearly a quarter of a century ago. But such incidents should serve to keep us from making other mistakes in the future. Just at present the C. P. R. is trying to work up an agitation against the Great Northern invasion on patriotic grounds. Its action in trying to throw back the progress of the country through which the two other Canadian lines run show how far patriotism goes in dictating its policy. It is a purely selfish corporation, out simply to get all that it can out of the country. No one can blame it for having that object constantly in view but we have a right to object when it represents itself as entitled to better consideration than we give other organizations of its kind.

M. Curie, the Frenchman who made the greatest scientific discovery of recent years in radium, was killed the week before last in Paris, a wagon running over him. Very few newspapers gave more than three or four lines in some out-of-the-way corner to the event. Suppose he had been a champion prize-fighter, what a difference there would have been? M. Curie was still a comparatively young man and was engaged in very extensive scientific investigation. It is impossible to calculate how great a loss humanity has sustained through the untimely ending of his career. There is one compensation, however. His wife was thoroughly in touch with his work. He insisted that she should be known as the co-discoverer of radium. His unfinished work will therefore not be altogether lost to the world.

The military rule of San Francisco seems to have been tempered with no discretion. Gen. Funston gave the soldiers a free hand and it is estimated that at least twenty innocent persons were killed while searching for valuables in the ruins of their homes. Chester Kemp, the Edmonton boy who passed through the earthquake, tells almost incredible stories of the measures taken to preserve order. Men were shot down everywhere on the slightest provocation. Even the seriousness of the situation that the authorities had to face did not in any way justify such action. General Funston promises to come into as much notoriety as he did when he allowed himself to be captured by Aguinaldo and then turned around and captured the rebel leader.

Charles E. Hughes, the New York lawyer whose work in probing the insurance scandals made him one of the outstanding figures in the life of the continent last year, made a speech at a recent gathering in the American metropolis, which has attracted the attention that it deserves. In a new country like our own where

material objects are being pursued by the majority to the exclusion of most other things, his words have special applicability. One poignant paragraph we desire to reproduce:

"I want also to observe" said Mr. Hughes that it seems to me that the Armstrong insurance investigation has given to the ordinary man, the man in the street, a truer sense of value. A great deal has been worthily said on the comparatively few advantages of great wealth; but the truth is that few, except the very rich, appreciate the justice of the argument. But of late I think that the man who is earning his bread by honest toil, the man who has amassed a modest competency by fair means, the man who has gained his success, whether it be great or small, in any field, without doing violence to his conscience, and who has nothing to fear from an examination of his record, walks with a new sense of dignity. There is less envy of those who have profited by devious ways. The uncertainty of the rewards of dishonesty stand out in very bold relief. We have seen the insurance president of the relatively small company striving to hold to his ideas when crowded by his great rivals, and by their conspicuous success, whose example perhaps has been constantly paraded before him—we have seen him emerge a man from among the weak, and he who but a short time ago was lost sight of because of his narrow sphere now appears to be a conspicuous success."

Cardstonians in Edmonton

David Elton, editor of the Cardston Star, visited Edmonton last week. He contributes the following personal notes to his paper:

John Ross who was principal of the public school here for a number of years, is in Edmonton. He returned from the Yukon a week ago. It is quite likely that he will be given the inspectorship of schools in the Edmonton constituency under the provincial government. Our readers will be pleased to learn that he has moved a little nearer home.

Mr. Sly, also a former principal of the Cardston public school, is in Edmonton. Mr. Sly in company with another young man whose name we have forgotten, is running the Grand Trunk Business College, a fairly good sized institution on with a large roll of students. James Ross is assistant clerk in the provincial parliament and sits well up to the front along side of the speaker. Mrs. Ross is also at Edmonton. They are both looking well and express delight in the north country.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Armstrong, the confectioners and liquid refreshment dispensers of a couple of years ago, are enjoying life at the capital. Mr. Armstrong is "boss carpenter" with a score of men under his charge. Cardstonians may be sure of a hearty welcome by calling on them in an elegant flat right in the heart of the city.

"Dave McGill" who used to sing for us is also at Edmonton and the way he handles the saw and hammer would make one believe that he was a veteran at the trade. Dave has not been there very long but he is pretty well known.

Mr. John Ross informs us that our old friend Jeckell is still up at Dawson teaching away for all he is worth. The Miss Watts that used to be here is now Mrs. Jeckell and there is a little Jeckell figuring in the family too.

J. G. Tipton of Strathcona returned from Chicago on Sunday with another train load of land seekers.



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From the Press Gallery.

The hope that the legislature would prorogue this week was not justified, though the end of next week should see the finish. The members have had a longer and much more arduous period of service than will fall to their lot in future sessions. A great deal of foundation work has had to be done, and they have applied themselves to it very assiduously on the whole. Saturday was last week the same as any other day and there were no Sunday trips to the members' homes.

The estimates were brought down on Wednesday. The details are not a little interesting. The expense of civil government is placed at \$127,806.67. Each of the cabinet ministers is to receive \$500. This is \$1000 in advance of the amount received in Ontario and \$2000 less than that which the members of the administration at Ottawa are paid. The Premier receives \$1000 in addition. The Lieutenant-Governor's secretary's remuneration is fixed at \$1200, the government printer's at \$1000, the auditor and the provincial auditor's at \$2400. The deputies are paid as follows—deputy attorney-general, \$3000; deputy provincial secretary, \$1500; deputy treasurer, who is also Clerk of the Executive Council, \$2400; Deputy Minister of Public Works, \$2500; Deputy Minister of Education, \$2200; Deputy Minister of Agriculture, \$2200. The most expensive department is that of Public Works to which \$34,000 is appropriated.

The cost of legislation is \$25,425. The sum of \$20,000 is to be voted for the payment of members. This is to include travelling expenses. The Speaker's seasonal allowance is \$1500, the deputy's \$800, the clerk's \$500, and the pages \$75 each.

The cost of the administration of justice is calculated at \$221,200.

The amount to be voted for public works is \$308,000. Of this \$140,000 will be for the parliament buildings at Edmonton and \$85,000 for the normal school at Calgary. Roads and bridges will take \$500,000, so that an extensive programme has evidently been decided upon. The present cost of maintaining legislative and departmental buildings is \$20,000, so that it is evidently wise on the government's part to rush the construction of a permanent place of business. The Government House costs \$5000 to maintain. An item which attracted more than ordinary attention was that providing for the expenditure of \$25,000 in the preliminary construction of provincial telephones. It was evidently the forerunner of an announcement of far-reaching importance. The sum of \$15,000 is appropriated for the purchase of sites for jails and asylums and the site for a court house at Wetaskiwin.

The cost of education is \$300,000 and the money to be spent on agriculture and statistics, \$315,000. This last sum is scattered over a wide variety of objects, having in view the development of the province's agricultural resources. The Western Canada Immigration Association gets \$2500. The amount to be voted for hospitals, charities and public health is \$33,500. A grant of \$1200 is made to the Provincial Rifle Association, this amount to include \$1000 towards defraying expenses to Ottawa.

It is expected that these estimates will not take long in getting through the House.

Several most important steps were taken during the past week. The premier's bill to tax the railways of the province on their roadbed was one of these. Each company is required to furnish a statement of the value of its roadbed by July 1st. Assessors may be approached later by the government, but in the meanwhile the value of all roadbeds is placed at \$20,000 a mile. The rate is to be one per cent. These are estimated to be 800 miles of roadbed in the province, not exempted. This will yield an additional revenue of \$160,000, no small sum.

Frank Walker, M.P.P. for Victoria, has shown the Government another way in which the public revenues can be added to at the expense of a corporation. The Western Canadian Land Co. recently issued a prospectus stating that it had acquired 500,000 acres of land in the Edmonton district from the C.P.R. The company is paying the C.P.R. \$6.50 an acre and estimates that it can sell the lands at from \$0.50 to as high as \$15 an acre. Mr. Walker states that he believes that this estimate is too conservative and that larger profits will be realized than was anticipated. If the lands could be subject to taxation, the tax on them in the local improvement districts would be \$10,000, while the school taxes would come to \$18,000. The Premier intimated

that in his opinion there was no doubt about the liability of the company and informed the House that the local authorities would be immediately notified.

The beet sugar bill provided very liberal encouragement for that industry, so liberal that it will undoubtedly give rise to a good deal of dissatisfaction on the part of those who are opposed to paternalism in industry. The sum of \$250,000 is set aside, to be distributed over five years at the rate of \$50,000 a year. For the first two years any manufacturer who produces a standard grade of refined sugar will receive a bonus of one-half cent a pound, and for the following three one-quarter of a cent. The farmer is protected in the assurance of his share of the industry. The act requires for payment for the beets on a basis of the amount of saccharine matter contained in his product. The measure is introduced in response to a demand from the Raymond beet growing district.

Mr. Finlay has introduced an amendment to the brand ordinance, requiring drovers to have certificates of ownership when they drive cattle from one part of the province to another. Another measure brought in by the Minister of Agriculture makes stricter regulations regarding the starting of prairie fires.

Wetaskiwin is to be the first city incor-

Mr. Albert Archdeacon.

Mr. Archdeacon, who won his spurs in Grand Opera at Covent Garden, London, is equally famous as an oratorio and concert singer, who has been in demand



in all quarters of the globe. There are few baritones on the other side who rank higher in the profession than Mr. Archdeacon. He is the possessor of a real baritone voice of great power and exceptional quality, which he uses with an almost perfect method. But the charm in this great baritone's singing is the warmth and dramatic force of his renderings. He possesses the temperament found only in the really great artist, and one never tires of his singing. Mr. Archdeacon is certain to be one of the most popular of the fine aggregation of artists supporting Madame Albani on her Farewell tour.

ported by the legislature of Alberta, Mr. Rosenbott's bill having that object in view passing its third reading at Tuesday's session, the member for the flourishing town to the south making a neat speech in honor of the event. The Medicine Hat and Lethbridge bills soon followed the Wetaskiwin measure over the line.

Mr. McKinney of St. Albert is moving in behalf of the half-breeds, who claim they have a grievance in the awarding of scrip. He asks that a memorial be presented to the governor-general setting forth their claims.

With the approach of the close of the session, the trip which the legislators propose to take through Southern Alberta, becomes a more and more frequent topic of conversation. Mr. MacKenzie of McLeod is busy making arrangements and promises that a hearty reception will be given the tourists at all the points visited.

The banquet on Wednesday night at the Pendennis to the two members of the Opposition shows that the party is followed by the showing which they

have made under discouraging circumstances. Messrs. Robertson and Hiebert are certainly entitled to credit. For new parliamentarians with heavy responsibility suddenly cast upon them they have done exceedingly well and should form the nucleus of a stronger and more effective fighting force to be developed as the years go by. Mr. Hiebert evidently thinks he has plenty of good material up his sleeve, judging by an interview which he gave the *Insist* Province the other day.

"Bombshells, my boy, bombshells for the government," he said, "I have lots of them, and I came from the right country. When my countrymen throw bombs they burst and they do damage. One after the other, each one bigger and more deadly than the one before."

Possibly Mr. Hiebert will throw some excitement into the closing sessions of the House. But up to the present it must be confessed, that he has not given the government much cause to worry.

Dave Elton of the *Carlston Star* contributes to this his paper:

We have seen our friend Mr. W. C. Simmons, M. P. P. for Lethbridge, in a great many places. We have seen him serious; we have seen him glorious; we have seen him determined and we have seen him easy; we have seen him through floods and drought, but once in the only did we see him real "mad" in the

Mr. Haydn Wood.

Haydn Wood, the violinist of the Albani Farewell Tour, is one of Great Britain's foremost artists. Although very young, his success has from the very first been



of the meteoric order. Mr. Wood gained a violin scholarship at the Royal College of music in 1897, and studied with Senor Arbos for six years, proceedings to Brussels to finish with Cesar Thomson. In addition to being one of the first virtuosos in London, Mr. Wood is favorably known to fame as a composer. His suite for orchestra performed recently in London won for him the very highest praise. Sir Villier Stanford was his master for composition, and being undoubtedly largely endowed with the gift of melody as a composer, the violin playing of the Composer-Violinist should touch the heart-strings as few violinists can, when assisting at the farewell appearances of Madame Albani.

Yankee vernacular. When he arrived at Calgary on the 18th last, enroute to Edmonton to take the oath and assume the position in which the electorate had placed him, he first called on a tonsorial artist for the abridgement of his capillary hair and then, the gentleman with the clippers misinterpreted the request and straightway proceeded to run the instruments down the side of his face. Mr. Simmons left the barber's chair without any invitation and the way he went for that fellow is too awful to mention. Anyway he is now deprived of that hirsute decoration and looks like a "blooming new comer" to his old friends. We understand that the barber left town on the next train and there is therefore no fear of anything of a mortuary nature likely to occur.

Cecil Ward and Egerton Leigh, directors of the Western Canada Land Co. and E. N. Robinson of Winnipeg have been visiting their lands in this part of the province within the past week.

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Social

The young Bachelors of Edmonton gave another of their always enjoyable dances in Robertson's Hall on Wednesday evening, when Richardson's Orchestra furnished the best of music and the ladies provided the supper. Force of circumstances prevented the social chronicler of *The Saturday News* being present, but I hear that the dance was a huge success and that everyone had the jolliest time imaginable.

Mrs. Norquay was the hostess of a very large "At Home" on Friday night in honor of Miss Oliver, an account of which will appear in next week's Saturday News.

Quite the society event of the week will be the Albani concert on Wednesday evening, everyone having apparently taken seats for the great artist's recital.

During their stay in the city Madame Albani and Mademoiselle Gautier will be the guests of Mrs. Bulyea at Government House.

One of the hostesses of the week was Mrs. St. John Jellett, who entertained at bridge on Monday night, when a large number participated in the fascinating game, Mrs. Braithwaite and Mr. McCarthy, manager of the Northern Bank, winning two handsome prizes.

Mrs. Forrest, wife of the manager of the Northern Bank, Winnipeg, is a very much admired visitor in the city.

A party of seven or eight popular young bachelors about town have pitched tents in the exhibition grounds and intend holding "camp" until weather conditions prove too unfavorable.

Mrs. Featherstonhaugh, who came up from Lacombe to join her husband while he is in the city between surveying trips, leaves the end of this week for the east, where she will reside while Mr. Featherstonhaugh is away on a prolonged survey.

Alcohol and Railway Accidents in Germany

The grave and pernicious consequences of the custom, which so generally prevails in Germany, of a free indulgence in alcoholic drinks, and the measures which are gradually being resorted to to eradicate the evil, are discussed in an article in the "Deutsche Monatschrift." The consciousness is gaining ground in every class of society that effective measures must be taken to at least moderate an evil which is a hindrance to the development of the German people, economically, physically, and spiritually.

The article is devoted especially to the phase of the question regarding the employees of railroads and other forms of transportation, where it is a matter of vital importance to thousands daily that the official's power to think clearly and act with prudence and decision in moments of danger be not impaired by drink. The greatest imaginable technical development, the most complete mechanical devices will hardly succeed in eliminating human fallibility in their application.

The constantly growing demands upon transit service, in particular, for safety and speed call rather, indeed, for an increasingly higher efficiency of the personnel, not only as regards prudence, judgment, decision, and clearheadedness but a sense of duty, all which qualities are, it has been proved, vitiated by nothing so readily and to such a degree as by indulgence in alcoholic drinks. The chief danger, moreover, consists not so much in excessive drink resulting in drunkenness, which is easily recognized, as in the more moderate but habitual use of liquor, which is harder to control, and the after-effects of heavy drinking. Scientific investigation has established the fact that even a moderate use of alcoholic beverages impairs the acuteness of sight and hearing, including the power of distinguishing color. Most of the violations of discipline and duty in the German transportation service are due to indulgence in drink, besides leading to misery and want in the home. Railway employees are, by the nature of their occupation, more exposed to temptations to drink than other classes of men, among them being the numerous restaurants in the vicinity of stations, while in north and central Germany these are, besides, connected with the depots.

It is the United States which has, thus far, taken the most advanced measures to fight the liquor abuse, declares the writer of this article. The great railway lines have for some time demanded total abstinence of their employees, on or off duty, or have least favored the abstainers. This movement is greatly aided by a diffusion of knowledge, far more general than in other countries, regarding the noxious effects of the liquor habit and the great advantages of total abstinence. Next to the United States, England has made the greatest strides in combating the evil in the railway personnel. A notably successful feature is the Temperance Union of the employees, numbering 23,000, whose aim it is to spread total abstinence in the railway service. As to Germany, the article says:

Justly recognizing that it is possible to achieve a comprehensive restriction of the use of alcohol by the proper prohibitive regulations only in case of the existence of the indispensable premises, the German railway management has confined itself mainly to preventive measures improvement in dwellings, in transient stopping places, care for suitable diet, good water, and refreshments free from alcohol—all these to draw the personnel from the temptation and the need of drink. The Prussian Government, owing to the recent serious accidents, has issued an order prohibiting all railway employees from taking any beverage containing alcohol while on duty.

The writer speaks of an association of German railroad officials, started by him four years ago, whose object it is to enlighten the public regarding the worthlessness of alcoholic drinks as a tonic and how they may be dispensed with as a means of refreshment. This society has been most encouragingly successful in its efforts.

There is every likelihood that Alberta will have another visit from the Governor-General and the Premier of the Dominion. Every effort is being made to induce them to attend the Forestry convention in Vancouver in September and they are both said to be anxious to take the trip.

About Town

Chester Kemp of Archibald's drugstore and son of E. A. Kemp of Ross Brothers, reached home on Friday night after a strange holiday experience. He had been in Los Angeles and just arrived in San Francisco in time for the earthquake. He was awakened up by the shaking of the bed. He thought some friends in the boarding-house were playing a trick on him but the falling of a chimney soon made him realize what was happening. Getting dressed he went down town to see what was happening there and is able to give a vivid description of some of the sights witnessed. The boarding-house was burned and he had to spend the next night in Golden Gate park, where thousands were huddled up on the ground. One experience he had to thank a soldier for. Bricks were being removed from the car tracks so that traffic could be resumed and he was forced at the point of the bayonet to help for several hours with this work.

The bill rendered by the expert on the telephone question, Mr.

Personal

D. Evans of Calgary, Inspector of Mines, was in Edmonton and Strathcona last week renewing acquaintances.

A happy event was celebrated last Thursday near Strathcona when Miss Florence A. Whitney, daughter of C. A. Whitney, was married to Charles D. Spence, who was till recently of Vegreville, but who will in the future make his home at Michel. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. D. Flemming in the presence of a few friends of the contracting parties. Miss Jeanie Carmichael of Strathcona was the bridesmaid and Mr. Archibald Flemming of Vegreville, supported the groom.

One of the many interesting men whom the North country has produced has been visiting in the sister towns during the past week or so in the person of Duncan McDonald. He has seen service, off and on, for twenty-five years with the Hudson's Bay Company. He was sergeant in the Riel Rebellion and served in South Africa. Three years ago he went north with a survey party. During the summer

Farmers' Market.

Wild hay is quoted at \$7 to \$12 per ton and timothy at \$10 to \$15, while straw this week is being bought at \$4 per ton. Potatoes are quoted 30¢ to 40¢ per bushel; oats 22¢ per bushel for feed and 25¢ for milling; barley, 25¢ per bushel for feed and 30¢ for malt. Beef is quoted at 3½¢. Mutton and veal are being bought at 5½¢ to 6¢, and live hogs at 6½¢. Butter is still reported scarce. The price ranges from 20¢ to 25¢ per lb. according to quality. Some stores get creamery butter from outside to supply the demand. Eggs are coming in in fair quantities at 15¢ per dozen.

Weekly Market Letter

Edmonton, Alta.

May 3rd, 1906.

WHEAT.—A slightly lower range of values has ruled in the wheat market during the past week. Seeding in the Spring wheat districts has been completed under favorable conditions and the winter wheat crop has made good progress. There has been plenty of moisture in the winter and spring wheat sections of the United States but there has been but very little in the Canadian northwest and while no harm has been done this far, still a few good rains would be very acceptable to Canadian farmers. The American shipments were heavy, 10,044,000 bushels against 9,338,000 bushels last year.

Of this amount the United States and Canada contributed 2,272,000 bushels compared with 1,434,000 bushels last year. A strike of Longshoremen at a number of ports on the Great Lakes has restricted the movement of grain on the lakes and is one of the influences responsible for the lower range of values. While the present brilliant crop prospects are maintained we are likely to have a quiet and steady market but any unfavorable developments in weather conditions would result in a quick advance in prices. We have had a good trading market for the past six weeks and those who have bought wheat on the breaks have realized good profits. We still advise the purchase of July wheat on the declines that occur from time to time and believe such purchases will show fair profits.

RANGE OF PRICES FOR THE WEEK:

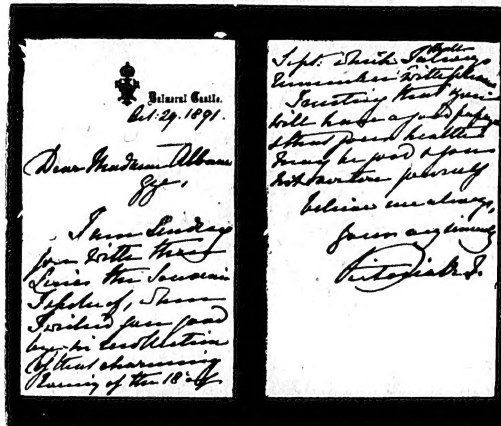
	High	Low	Close to-day	Close w'k ago
Chicago—				
May Wheat,	80½	78	79½	79½
July "	78½	78½	79½	79½
Minneapolis				
May Wheat,	77½	75	76½	76½
July "	76½	77½	78½	78

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The officers of "B" squadron of the Canadian Mounted Rifles being organized in Strathcona are: Major, F. C. Jamieson; captain, Arthur Pierson; lieutenants, W. Godson, Edward McKenzie, Harold Ritchie, and G. W. Marriott. A camp will be held in Edmonton from June 10 to June 30.

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An Autograph Letter from Queen Victoria.

Kelsch, for his report to the council came to \$300. It was ordered paid at the last meeting.

Douglas McSween, son of P. G. McSween of the Hudson's Bay store, came through the San Francisco disaster unscathed. His father and mother received a small piece of newspaper stamped and addressed with the words "I am safe" written on it.

The council chamber has been greatly altered. Desks have been placed in position for the aldermen with a seat for the mayor on a raised platform at the end. The secretary-treasurer is seated below and in front of the mayor. No small improvement has been effected.

Work has been commenced on the planing mill to be erected by a syndicate with W. H. Clark at its head at the south end of the bridge to Strathcona. It will have a capacity of 60,000 feet a day.

Considerable opposition has developed in Strathcona to the recent action of the commissioners in granting a license to Archibald Cameron for the hotel just over

he has acted as pilot on the H.B. steamer between Fort Vermilion and Fort St. John. He has a homestead at Dunvegan, which he considers as nearly an ideal place of residence as is to be found in the West. Mr. McDonald has been a guest at the Royal Hotel, Strathcona.

Miss Ella Ottewill of Clover Bar, who is retiring from the post of organist of the Methodist church there, was presented with a silver set, consisting of a cake basket, cream jug, butter dish and half a dozen teaspoons by the members of the congregation recently.

W. M. Harrington of Strathcona left for the State of Washington last week. He will be away for some months.

Mrs. Flemming, wife of Rev. D. Flemming of Strathcona, has gone on an extended trip east.

Among the saloon passengers who sailed for the Mediterranean last week on the White Star liner Romanic, was Miss Holmes, of Medicine Hat. She will visit the Azores, Gibraltar, Naples and Genoa on the trip.

RANDOM REMINISCENCES

OF

AN OLD TIMER

BY CHARLES LEWIS SHAW

ARTICLE No. IV

"Perhaps it may turn out a sang,
Perhaps turn out a sermon,"

—Burns.

Looking back through the mist of years the figures that stand out on the horizon of early manhood loom up large, larger possibly than if submitted to the perspective and comparison of more mature years. The retrospective has its advantages. The scrub of human pettiness only casts a faint shadow, the harsh outlines of character are softened by distance and the mountains in the range of memory stand out clear and distinct snow-covered it may be but bathed in the haze and warmth of the sunshine of kindly recollection.

Whether it is that the strong and virile press forward in the vanguard of civilization or that primitive conditions develop individualism and strength of character need not be discussed. In the tide of commercialism in the Canadian West, in the flood of levelling democracy individualism and personality are oftentimes swept aside or submerged in the froth and spray of the torrent of advancement.

X In the beginning of things communal, in the establishment of recognized government, in the evolution from the paternalism of the Hudson Bay Company, personality was a striking factor in the life of Edmonton and conspicuous among the dominant figures of the new order was Mr. Thomas Anderson, Crown timber agent, the leading officer of the Canadian Government in the beginning on the North Saskatchewan.

Those who know him now and recognize the forcefulness of his temperament, his stubborn Saxon tenacity of purpose, the unselfish, unwavering sense of duty, the tireless energy that even yet in the fulness of years distinguishes the strong, active and athletic gentleman whose strenuous personality is yet an influence in Northern Alberta's life can to some extent understand the effect of such an official presence in a district which had not yet found itself under the new order.

A striking personality, indeed! "Timber Tom! Eh? O! Timber Tom. He strike at the drop of the hat!" said a representative half-breed from St. Albert one day "I only tell him that the Government was one big liar about my timber due and—" he gazed sorrowfully from under the blue-black swellings surrounding the limpid optics.

We of the early west did not readily grasp the new conditions.

The French half-breed rebelled on two occasions against them for there was frequently too much shilly-shallying in the teaching. Timber Tom, as the Crown timber agent at Edmonton in the nick-naming habit of the west was not disrespectfully known, taught the lesson of the invincibility of constitutional authority under the British flag on the North Saskatchewan.

wan without any coy hesitancy.

It was in the very early days and Mr. Anderson, almost the first if not the first civil representative of law and order under the Dominion Government, was waited upon by a deputation from Edmonton and the out-lying settlements to inform him as a new-comer, a tenderfoot, as to the manner in which the people desired him to conduct his office.

Various and original were the suggestions and instructions given by the delegates and received by Mr. Anderson standing in the quadrangle formed by the buildings of the old Hudson Bay fort. More and more aggressive did the various speakers become, deceived by the quiet attention paid by the officer addressed, until one of the deputation with an insolent drawl in his voice remarked:

"And see here, if this is not done, we'll throw you out of the country and do business with the Government at Ottawa direct and as we think best."

The Crown timber agent rose quietly to an athletic height of six feet two, replaced his lead pencil in his pocket, closed his official note book, buttoned his coat deliberately and stood before the deputation the embodiment of virile, middle-aged manhood, the whilom champion oarsman of the St. Lawrence River.

"Now, gentlemen," said he quietly, the fighting instincts of the Englishman of the North Country shown in his flashing eyes and nervous fingers "the discussion has become personal as well as official. I will now receive this deputation one by one or in twos and settle the personal side of the question without any further parley."

"How step out, if ye be men!" he called in clarion tones that echoed through the old square that had never heard any other command for a century than that given by a Hudson Bay factor.

The men of the early west were not of the kind that hesitated at such an invitation but in half an hour Canadian authority was established forever on the North Saskatchewan and Mr. Anderson with bruised knuckles was inscribing his report to his Government at Ottawa while the representatives of the disaffected saw for the first time through blackened eyes the majesty of Canadian authority.

To the student of human nature to the tracer of racial characteristics the figures of many men of the early days were silhouetted in the loneliness of the great lone land to a degree that conjured up thoughts that bridged centuries of time and included the history of the world.

In the narrow eyes, in the quiet orientalism of manner of Cree and Stoney could be seen the restrained ferocity of the Tartar race that had opposed the dominance of Russia's greatest Czar, Peter, the Great.

Bill Cust, the prosperous farmer of Big Lake, could not have been very readily distinguished from the tenant farmer of the south west of Ireland, whose Celtic ancestors had occupied the land for centuries even if Mr. Cust's Irish brogue was tintured with the vernacular of the mining camps of British Columbia.

It was not difficult to trace in the deep, unobtrusive and, oftentimes gruff kindness, the shrewd business methods and the little economies of John Brown the characteristics that have made the lowland Scotchman a potent force in the world's commerce and the best of neighbors.

It was like a breeze sweeping over the sun-kissed plains of France to hear George Gagnon, for a Frenchman or his Canadian descendant never grows old, say to a young harum-scarum cow-boy as he tossed his iron-grey head and stroked with Gallic insouciance his grizzled moustache one night at a social gathering while watching a group from the Belmont settlement taking with Saxon stolidity their pleasure as a great Parisian said of those of British race sadly "Let us go into the dancing room. This is no place for us young fellows."

And the group referred to were little older than the light-hearted French-Canadian's own children.

Few of us even in those days of social communism ever really understood the complex character of the half-breed. The lights and shades of his variable nature were not clearly enough defined to admit of clear comprehension and certainly not of definition to anyone accustomed only to the clear-cut racial distinctions of world-old peoples, for the point of view of the half-breed is to be sometimes felt but never described.

Once only was it given to me and then by the master hand of one of the race through the magic music of his violin; for few men, I have been told, could play the violin as could Larry Gurneau, the finest type of the French Half-Breed it has ever been my fortune to meet.

The long summer day of the Saskatchewan had closed and we sat in the coolness of the evening looking out over the river, where, high above the feeble flickering lights of the little settlement on the northern bank, shone the bright

glimmering stars of the universe, and the words of the intellectual man at my side were in harmony with the scene. He talked ethically of the rights of man, the duties of government, personal freedom, etc., and the desultory conversation gradually drifted from wonderings at the purposes of creation, the law of the powerful, the injuries of the weak, and abstract theories as to man's relations with the Infinite, until as the shadows deepened the soft, deep voice of Larry Gurneau spoke directly of the rights and wrongs of his people.

Unconsciously I must have assumed the mental attitude that a legal training and the teachings of my race would at once beget. With keen intuition my companion understood.

"Sympathy and feeling, human qualities as necessary in the judgment of worldly things as they are in religion, should be brought to bear on the question of half-breed rights and wrongs," said he quietly, reaching for his violin. "Let me tell you the story of the half-breed."

And with the stars glimmering down upon us, with no sound to break the quietness of the night but the soft swishing flow of the mighty Saskatchewan, the notes of the violin, now vibrating with the swirl of the buffalo hunt and the mad merriment of the dance, then softening to some old French love-song brought over seas and prairies from Brittany, now murmuring the quaint, sweet lullabies of childhood, then breaking into the fierce chants of war and revenge, at last died away in the wailing sadness of a requiem that told of a dying race.

Only the other day I heard a great military band of world-wide repute tell the awful story of Bonaparte's most disastrous campaign, with blare of trumpet, the shriek of shells and the groans of the wounded, and some at least learned something of the horrors of war. From the throbbing notes of the singing, sobbing violin pressed under the strong chin of Larry Gurneau, from his deep-chested words of rapid explanation uttered now and then during the recital, from his softened or flashing eyes and the mobile features of his expressive face in the clear northern starlight, I learned the tragic Story of the Half-Breed.

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In the Country.

It seems to me I'd like to go
Where bells don't ring, nor whistles blow,
Nor clocks don't strike, nor gongs don't
sound.

And I'd have stillness all around.

Not real stillness, but just the trees'
Low whisperings, or the hum of bees,
Or brooks' faint babbling over stones
In strangely, softly tangled tones.

Or maybe a cricket, or katydid,
Or the songs of birds in the hedges hid,
Or just some such sweet sounds as these
To fill a tired heart with ease.

If 'tweren't for sight and sound and
smell,

I'd like a city pretty well,
But when it comes to getting rest,
I like the country lots the best.

Sometimes it seems to me I must
Just quit the city's din and dust,
And get out where the sky is blue;
And say, now, how does it seem to you?
—Eugene Field.

One day last week, instead of following the usual route to the golf links, the writer of this article and a companion struck off on a new trail, down by the old Edmonton Hotel, then on by a round-about way to our destination. It was a day to loiter. Ahead of us stretched the broad valley of the Saskatchewan, further on the river and beyond that again an exquisite view of Strathcona. Surrounding us were little poplar groves, some home-like houses nestling in the side of the hill, and around us and about us, encompassing us like a mantle of healing, was silence and absolute restfulness.

The "murmur of prisoned winds" of which Morris speaks is so enchantingly soothing after the sounds of a busy city street—not the full, free sounds of the strong winds, but the soft, nameless whispering, leaf with leaf, plotting their liberation into the wide world, eagerly awaiting their coming. The sudden pauses, the quiet renewal of their soft stirrings, the gentle crescendos of the playful wind. How subtly mysterious these are! If only weary, heart-sick housekeepers and the men who all day bend anxious, scheming heads over their desks and counters could realize what it means to be transported into such surroundings, sleep would not wait on sedatives.

There is another pleasure of country quiet, that is most enjoyable to those whose hearts crave such influences. In any grassy street of an eastern village, where the elms meet over the roadway, and the old town pump stands transfixed in the centre of the village square, you can find at noon a calm, a noiseless restfulness that has a twofold significance. You are not now apart from man; the white houses stand on either side, cleanly and with protecting blinds of green. There is assurance of life, but it is not visible. The whole world seems to sleep, and if perchance a lazy horse and cart plods slowly towards the fields, it goes without urging, quietly, dreamily, and neither beast nor master are in haste.

There are certain portions of rural Canada where one would confidently swear to it that at noon everyone takes a nap as surely as they take their mid-day meal. One has now to leave the environs of this railway, the golf links and the bustling towns to find any confirmation of the story, but certain villages are personally known to me where at the nooning hour I would be ashamed to make a sound or to even disturb the cat upon the doorstep.

One reason why a rural church service seems to take on a quality that never is found in the most dignified and reverent worship in great cities, while summer holds its sway, is the absolute silence that surrounds the place where people pray and praise.

There may come through the open window distant murmurs of forest sounds and the tinkle of cowbells, but these are not to be confounded with a noise, and for the large majority the passing breeze brings to rural worshippers only the song of a glad bird or the reverent, tender token of life that the leaves make on the neighboring trees. The crowing of a cock seems an intrusion on the sympathetic silence in which nature listens while man praises his Maker and asks a blessing on the toil of the laborer.

I know where two tall locusts raise their heads beside a little church in Southampton, Ont., and in their bosom time shed the sweet odor of their white clusters like incense about the pretty place. The dead who lie beneath them have the melody of chant and hymn wafted over their sleeping place all summer long, while without the birds raise their own tender melody of exaltation. When I look forward to that time when I too shall be numbered among the sleepers, the thought and hope is ever with me that I may be laid in such a spot, to rest under the shadowy trees in the stillness which typifies eternal peace.

But I have digressed. The lure of the woods has proven too much for me. Already we have covered the ground to the links, and "he" is busy preparing a rather miserable looking "tee." Some day though I shall tell you of a little wonder-house I discovered on the way.

When the World Is New.

If you were a little girl again,
Mother Mahone, Mahone,
What would you do the long, long day,
Playing alone, alone?

If I were a little girl again,
Nora, my own, my own,
With just one long, long summer day
To play alone, alone,
If I were a little girl again,
And fairy folk were true,
If paper dolls had human hearts
And all the world were new,
Ah, listen, listen, little one,
I'll whisper what I'd do—
To the violet's lips I'd put my ear
And hush my heart that I might hear
The secret of its sweetness;
I'd search beneath the fungus shelves
For glimpse of goblins, gnomes, or elves;
I'd run a race with the laughing brook,
Or chase it to some witch-kept nook,
Whose spell would stay its fleetness;
I'd hide in the haunt of the mocking bird
Till I learned its melody word by word;
Full length beneath the moss I'd lie,
Content beneath the changing sky
In that one day's completeness.

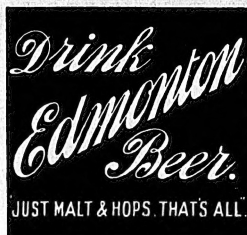
If I were a little girl again,
Even as you, as you,
If fairy folk were truly folk,
And all the world were new,
I'd just be happy, little one,
Till the long, long day was through.

The Household.

Following are some hints which should prove helpful to the home laundress, and to householders generally:

French sateens will clean beautifully by putting them in a lather of lukewarm soapsuds in which there has been a cupful of salt dissolved. Rinse in water also having salt in it; dip in very thin starch and roll up in a clean sheet; in two hours iron on the wrong side.

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and exaggerated are the conditions prom-
ised.

Your study bears a very marked resem-
blance to Patsy's. Surely you are sisters.
You're rather more changeable than she,
fonder of knocking around and going in
for a good time, perhaps a little less con-
tented and more exacting, the dominant
touch being very pronounced in your case.
You're a creature all impulse and
heart, keenly sensitive, blunt and apt to
say what you think regardless of how it
affects others, ambitious, generous to a
fault, sympathetic, infinitely unselfish
when at your best, original, loquacious,
plausible, an interesting companion,
generally hopeful, impatient, a trifle
critical, honest and loyal, given to
worrying over trifles. You lack method
and the genius for paying attention to
the little things while you gaze long and
strive hard for what strikes you of greater
moment. I like yours and Patsy's ear-
nestness, even so well understand you
love of shocking people, but had like
shaking you for not doing yourself jus-
tice more of the time. I shall expect to
hear, Muggins, how much of your char-
acter you "believed" in.

Lilac—Yours is rather an out-of-the-
ordinary sort of a study, out of those
which graphologists occasionally swear a
few swears over. To begin with it's
rather a study of the head than the heart,
impulses in every case being well con-
sidered. Temper is strangely ineking,
the disposition is more than ordinarily
equable, consequently aggravating, and
the respect for appearances is very
strongly marked. Self-knowledge, self-
reverence and self-control are character-
istics, the love of praise, a keen disposi-
tion to please everyone, generosity, self-
complacency, tact, love of the beautiful,
stubbornness, method, carefulness, a
tendency to moralize, love of ease,
good-nature, a roundabout way of dis-
cussing things, a religious trend of
thought, a weakness for self-analysis and
a forgiving, loving character are indicated
in your lines. A little more force and
ambition wouldn't be a drawback. Had
I told you that you were artistic, and
dainty about your personal belongings.

Vivian—What a fortunate girl you are,
Vivian, firstly to be contented, a rare
thing, and secondly to be out in the
country on these glorious days. While I
have spent very little of my life away
from the city, I can look back on some
never-to-be-forgotten occasions, when for
a few days at a time I forgot there ever
were such things as tens and cents, and I
was free to do only those things which
fancy dictated. Of course life in the
country spells reality quite as sternly as
it does in town, but to those who have
only experienced it on a holiday jaunt it
must ever remain an ideal of perfect
restfulness.

This is a tidy little study of a very con-
crete mind. Care and method are admi-
rable and the temper a little hasty but
otherwise good. The whole tendency is
to idealize, the things that touch the im-
agination proving infinitely more invit-
ing to this little mind than the more
practical side of existence. There is a
touch of immaturity noticeable in the
lines, which suggest youth or unawaken-
ed emotions. Taste, sympathy, a good
deal of susceptibility, receptivity, frank-
ness, sociability, appreciation, obser-
vation, kindness, timeliness, gener-
osity, cheerfulness, and general sweet-
ness of disposition are noticeable traits.
Writer is a trifle changeable, and a wee
bit fickle but is all around such a lovable
sincere, earnest little girl I haven't the
heart to suggest any faults. I wish the
pony was recaptured in good time and
that you are feeling no ill effects of the
tumble. My love to you, such letters as
yours do me a world of good.

Delia—I am so sorry I can't rush in
your delineation this week, but you may
confidently look for one next Saturday.

Harry—I must also ask you to wait,
like a good child. Never fear, all will be
well.

The Coming of Albani

On Wednesday evening, May the
ninth, the people of Edmonton and the
vicinity are to have the privilege of hear-
ing Canada's greatest prima-donna, the
world-famous Madame Albani. It will
be the last time the great singer will ap-
pear on this side of the Atlantic, her do-
mestic and artistic relations rendering it
necessary that she spend the remainder
of her days in England and on the contin-
ent. Thus for the majority of us Wed-
nesday evening will mark the very last
opportunity for ever hearing this incom-
parable artist.

Mme. Albani's first triumph in Can-
ada, it may be remembered, was in the
early seventies, when as a prima donna
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Mlle. Eva Gauthier.

Mlle. Eva Gauthier is a young French
Canadian, born at Ottawa just twenty-
two years ago. Her quick rise among
the talented artists of the day is due in



part to the interest taken in her by Lady
Laurier, who, attracted by the girl's very
marked talent, sent her to Europe to
study under the famous masters in Paris,
and lately in London under William
Shakespeare, who was himself a pupil of
the great Lamperti, Albani's teacher.
Mlle. Gauthier returns to the land of her
birth after an absence of four years and
will undoubtedly win many triumphs
during this historical Farewell Tour of
the great prima donna. The Paris Pigaro
speaks of Eva Gauthier as a young and
fair Canadian who, in the melodies of
Schumann, Massenet, and others of the
well-known composers, demonstrated her
possession of a voice of the highest degree
sweetness, and the ability to sing with
intelligence. The Journal des Theatres
et Concerts, Paris, affirms that this young
contralto possesses a marvellous contralto
voice, the lower notes being rich in vol-
ume and purity, and to the highest degree
surprising. Mlle. Gauthier's masters in
Paris were M. Bouhy and M. Duvourney.
Madame Albani herself says, "Of all the
young singers I have heard lately, Eva
Gauthier is by far the best." The interest
attaching to this young native born, in
her coming Canadian debut, will be
watched with serious intent by music
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**Leaves from the diary
of the late**

JOHN SMITH

April 10th, 1906

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MORNING NEWS

April 26th 1906.

The affairs of John Smith, who passed away so suddenly a week ago, are being wound up. The estate is heavily involved. He left his family without life insurance.

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with the then Her Majesty's Opera Company, she sang at the Grand Opera House in Toronto in the role of "Lucia" before a magnificent audience and created a profound impression.

Mme. Albani, nee Marie Louise Cecile Emma Lajeunesse, was born at Chambly, a village but a few miles distant from Montreal, November 1st, 1822; her father, Joseph Lajeunesse, who died July 20th, 1904, was in his life time a very capable musician, organist and harpist. Both her parents were native-born Canadians.

Little Emma Lajeunesse commenced to sing at the age of four years; from then until eight years of age she studied classical music as thoroughly as it was possible for any child to do.

Madame Albani's first public appearance was made at the age of eight years, when brought from the Convent of the Sacred Heart at Sault au Recollet to sing at a Scotch concert given in the Mechanic's Hall, St. James Street, Montreal. The success of the "wee lit lassie" was instantaneous, and the little one gave three additional concerts, "starring" the Canadian Provinces a few years later with her sister and reaping laurels wherever she went.

In 1844 the Lajeunesse family settled in Albany, New York, where Madame Albani entered the choir of St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Cathedral, singing there under engagement for three years.

Madame Albani's first muster, after she left these shores for Europe, was Duprez, the celebrated French tenor. Subsequently she completed her musical education with Lamperti, making her first appearance in opera at Messina in 1870. The work was Bellini's "La Sonnambula." Her success was immediate. Since then her career has been one of continued triumph.

For her farewell tour Madame Albani will sing a number of old-time favorites, which speak directly to the hearts of her audience, such songs as Antoine, Dr. Drummond's "Habitant" farmer describes in "When Albani Sang":

Dat song I will never forget me, 'twas
song of de leetle bird,
W'en he's fly front it's nes' on de tree top,
'fore res' of de worl' get stirred,
Madam she was tole us about it, den

start off so quiet and low,
An' sing lak de bird on de morning, de
poor leetle small viseau.

I'member wan tam I de sleepin jus onder
some beeg pine tree
An song of de robin wak' me, but robin
he don't see me,

Dere's not'ing for scarin' dat bird dere,
he's feel all alone on de worl'.

Wall! Ma-dam she must lissen lak dat
too, w'en she was de Chambley girl!

Cos how could she sing dat nice chanson,
de sam' as de bird I was hear,

Till I see it de maple an' pine tree an'
Richelleur ronnin' near,

Again I'm de leetle feller, lak young colt
under de spring

Dat's jus' on de way I was feel, me, w'en
Ma-dam All-ha-nee is sing!

An' offer de sing it is finish, an' crowl is
mak' noise wit' its han's!

I s'pose dey be t'inkin' I'm crazy; dat
mebbe I don't understan',

Cos I'm set ou de chair very quiet, mese'f
an' poor Jeremie.

An' I see dat hees eye it was cry too,
jus' sam way it go wit' me.

Home and Society.

Mrs. Hislop was the hostess of a jolly tea on Friday afternoon, in honor of her sister, Miss Oliver, who has been a much-feted visitor in town since she came up from Ottawa to officiate as bridesmaid at the Hardisty-Mowat wedding. Mrs. Hislop received at the entrance to the pretty drawing-room, looking very sweet and attractive in a becoming gown of grey voile over taffeta, with yoke of embroidered chiffon, touched with pink and dainty lace garniture. A handsome sapphire and diamond crescent was worn on the corsage. Miss Oliver was in black with white collar and cuffs, and seemed delighted to be at home once more. In the tea-room Mrs. Malcolm Mackenzie of

McLeod poured tea during the first hour, and Mrs. Bower Campbell, coffee, these being later relieved by Mrs. McMahon and Mrs. T. F. Jackson. Mrs. Charlesworth was in charge of the ices during the first half, Mrs. Norquay officiating later in the afternoon. The tea-table was naturally the centre of interest and evoked many flattering comments, with its central ornament of a high cut-glass epergne, the vase filled with many lovely carnations, the base with pink sweet peas. The centre-piece was an exquisite one of hand-made lace, half hidden beneath a billowy covering of pink tulle. Those assisting in the tea-room were—Mrs. Nightingale, Mrs. Barford, Mrs. Wallbridge and Mrs. Jackson. Among the many guests I noticed Mrs. Hudspeth, a visiting bride, looking particularly smart in a gown of figured white silk with touches of mauve velvet and a stunning black chapeau.

There have been dances galore in Edmonton of late, Mrs. Manuel giving a delightful one on Thursday evening, and the Hockey Club another in the "Thistle Rink on Friday last. To say that the latter was a magnificent success is only repeating what was already a foregone conclusion. Whatever the Hockey Club of Edmonton undertakes is sure to be the best of its kind, and Friday's ball was no exception.

Very little in the way of decoration had been undertaken, the boys contenting themselves with a display at one end of the rink of the handsome trophies won by the

team, and the arrangement of a little supper square at the far end of the hall. Draping the trophy stand were the club's distinctive colors, green and white.

If little had been done for external adornment the reason was plain when the dance began, the music, furnished by the full orchestra, proving so enthralling, and the floor so good that none had time to turn their attention elsewhere. Number after number was danced with unflagging interest and it was with the greatest reluctance that the guests donned their wraps when finally the last selection on the programme was reached. There were any number of pretty women and fair young girls in attendance. Among them, Mrs. Frank Sommerville in a striking gown of Manila cloth, with Batenburg yoke and berthe, looking very pretty and animated. Mrs. Nightingale in black net, with high Dresden girdle, as always a graceful figure and popular young matron. Mrs. Hudspeth, the bride, in a stunning black silk embroidered Brussels net, over white silk with lace panels on the skirt and bodice, some lovely lace garniture, a pearl necklace, and hair beautifully coiffe. Mrs. Ferris in bluet striped chiffon, with a becoming touch of pink introduced in the pink velvet girdle, and on the corsage.

Two out-of-town visitors who received a great deal of attention and who looked very charming were Miss Creelman in a princess gown of white crepe de chine with garniture of silk applique, and Miss Harvey of Orillia in cream crepe

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de chine with berthe of tiny yellow rosebuds. Miss Driscoll, who leaves for her home this week after a long and delightful visit with her brother, was one of the most popular girls present and looked particularly well in a lovely gown of white silk lace over white satin, beautifully sequined in silver. Miss Bouchier, a particularly striking looking girl, looked her prettiest in a gown of yellow organdie with touches of black velvet at the waist and on the bodice. A handsome black Spanish lace scarf completed a very effective costume. Miss Sommerville was in yellow organdie, and carried a spray of pink carnations. As always she was one of the graceful and tireless dancers. Miss Dollie Greenwood, in white organdie, with white satin girdle and bebe ribbon garniture, carried some lovely pink carnations and looked very sweet and dainty. Miss Grace Robertson wore a pretty frock of yellow silk mull, elaborated with yellow velvet bebe ribbon, which was vastly becoming to her blonde style of beauty. Miss McFarlane's gown of deep red crepe de chine made very simply was universally admired. Miss Webster wore cream silk with yellow velvet and lace ornamentation and looked particularly well. Miss Matheson was gowned in figured green organdie and was one of the girls who didn't seem to have enough dances to go around. Miss Hooper's gown was of white lace over pale green taffeta.

I understand that while the

Hockey Boys didn't strike a Bonanza in the Ball, they will realize something.

Mrs. Mercer gave a delightful dinner-party, followed by cards, at Cronn's on Thursday evening.

There was another very enjoyable Government House reception on Thursday week, when about seventy-five guests enjoyed the Lieut. Governor's and Mrs. Bulyea's hospitality. Another reception was given that night this week, those who were fortunate enough to be invited reporting a delightful evening.

Lately I have heard a great many complaints regarding the carelessness of the post-office officials in distributing invitations through the mails. The results of such negligence are very often far reaching and unpleasant, and I know several hostesses who have

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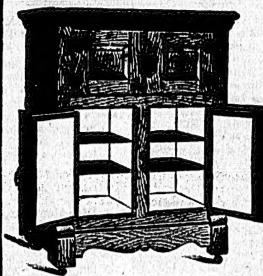
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